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ABSTRACT

This paper aims to investigate the relationships between independent variables and non-audit

service provision in the context of Malaysian Listed Companies. The sample consists of 709

listed companies in Bursa Malaysia that are identified in 2014 financial year. The companies

are from eleven industries, which are construction, consumer product, finance, hotels,

industrial product, infrastructure project company, plantation, properties, REITS, trading and

services and technology There are six independent variables that being tested in this study,

which are CEO duality, board independence, type of auditor and audit committee's

characteristics that only focus on size, independence and meetings. Company size,

profitability, leverage, growth and industry are being include act as the control variables. The

theoritical framework indicates that these six variables will influence the purchased of non-

audit services. Using the logistic regression model and relevant diagnostic tests, findings

shows that only board independence, audit committee's independence, type of auditor, profit,

hotel industry and REITS industry are associated with the level of purchased non-audit

services. This study provides unique contribution of the determinant of purchased non-audit

services. It concludes that others corporate governance factors should also be tested in order

to have more accurate and useful data in determine the level of purchased non-audit services

in Malaysia.

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